

## REMARKS

This amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed December 21, 2004. In the Office Action, the Examiner identified four species that are patentably distinct:

Species (A), comprising claims 48-55;

Species (B), comprising claims 56-62 and 63-71;

Species (C), comprising claims 72-77; and

Species (D), comprising claims 78-82.

Applicants have elected species (B), comprising claims 56-62 and 63-71, without traverse. All non-elected claims have been cancelled.

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the elected claims.


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Respectfully submitted,

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